

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Klamath Community Services District
Leach Field and Sewer Main Line
FEMA-1628-DR-CA, PW #1877

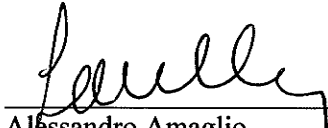
The Klamath Community Services District (KCSD) has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) for assistance with the replacement of the leach field and sewer main line that were damaged during the flood event of winter 2005 to 2006 (FEMA-1628-DR-CA).

The Proposed Action would involve the excavation of an area adjacent to existing leach fields for the construction of a replacement leach field measuring approximately 23,000 square feet. KCSD would install a 750-gallon dispersion tank and a dispersion system consisting of 480 feet of 4-inch perforated polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe to control the flow of sewage into the leach field. To protect the replacement leach field, a strip of riprap approximately 4 feet wide would be installed along 700 feet of a channel adjacent to the leach field. Installation of the riprap would require the trimming and removal of underbrush and a small number of riparian trees within an area of approximately 700 feet by 4 feet. The proposed action would replace 3-inch PVC pipes with 4-inch PVC pipes and use them to connect the replacement leach field to existing leach fields and sewage facilities. Pipes existing within the floodplain would be re-routed out of the floodplain. Installation of all pipe would be conducted by trenching, installing the pipe, and backfilling the soil materials to original grade.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), FEMA has prepared a Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Proposed Action (December 2007) to address its impacts on the environment. The SEA tiers from the Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for Typical Recurring Actions Resulting From Flood, Earthquake, Fire, Rain, and Wind Disasters in California (December 2003) as proposed by FEMA. The SEA and PEA have been prepared in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations implementing NEPA (40 Code of Federal Regulation [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), and FEMA's implementing regulations (44 CFR Part 10). The PEA and SEA are available online at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/ea-region9.shtm>.

Based upon the conditions and the information contained in the PEA and SEA, and in accordance with FEMA's regulations in 44 CFR Part 10 (Environmental Consideration) and Executive Orders (EOs) 11998 (Floodplain Management), 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), and 12898 (Environmental Justice), the following is concluded:

A Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared based on the fact that there will be no long-term adverse impacts to the environment resulting from the Proposed Action. This Finding of No Significant Impact serves as the final notice for compliance with EOs 11998 and 11990. Information required by 44 CFR Part 9.12(e) is provided in the SEA. For more information, contact the undersigned at (510) 627-7027. No action will be allowed to occur until 15 days after publication of this Finding of No Significant Impact.

 12/26/07

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